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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

By Facsimile - 703/872-9306 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a one month extension of time to and including October 18, 2004 to respond to the Office Action mailed June 18, 2004.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, applicants hereby petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) for an extension of time for as many months as are required to ensure that the above-identified application does not become abandoned.

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00000001 032775 09881230 The Director is hereby authorized to charge the \$110 fee and deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No.03-2775. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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